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Local Matters.

A Distinguished Company.

That was a distinguished company that assembled around the tables of the hospitable Pembroke Club on Monday last. There were about 800 in all and they comprised not only senators and representatives in Congress, governors, etc., but nearly all the State officials and many of the State's prominent citizens. At the head of the guest table sat Congressman Capron of this State, who acted as toastmaster; at his opposite sat Congressman Bell, who called the assembly to order and introduced the toastmaster of the occasion. Between the two sat the guest of the occasion, Gen. Henderson of Iowa, Gov. Dyer of Rhode Island, Senator Wetmore of Rhode Island, Senator Depew of New York, Senator Gallinger of New Hampshire, Congressman Boutelle and Littlefield of Maine, Greene, Napier, Thayer, Weymouth, Roberts, Knox and Fitzgerald of Massachusetts, Russell, Hill and Sperry of Connecticut, Capt. McLean, commander of the U. S. Torpedo station and many others. After the dinner had been thoroughly enjoyed for about an hour, brilliant and entertaining addresses were made by Gov. Dyer, Gen. Henderson, Senators Wetmore, Depew and Gallinger, Congressmen Boutelle, Fitzgerald, Russell, Hill and Sperry of Connecticut, Capt. McLean, commander of the U. S. Torpedo station and many others. After the dinner had been thoroughly enjoyed for about an hour, brilliant and entertaining addresses were made by Gov. Dyer, Gen. Henderson, Senators Wetmore, Depew and Gallinger, Congressmen Boutelle, Fitzgerald, Russell, Hill and Sperry of Connecticut, Capt. McLean, commander of the U. S. Torpedo station and many others.

Barn Burns at Night.

Shortly after three o'clock Wednesday morning the fire department responded to an alarm from box 41 and found a stubborn blaze in the barn on Gidley street owned by James Dugan and occupied by Richard Dugan, the swill contractor. Three of Mr. Dugan's employees slept in the loft and were awakened by the smoke in time to save themselves although one of the men was quite severely burned. One man ran to the box to sound the alarm while the others hastily removed the horses and harnesses.

When the department arrived a brisk fire was found in the hay of the loft but the flames were almost entirely confined to the upper story and roof. Prompt action on the part of the department and the absence of wind to carry the sparks prevented a serious fire in a dangerous locality.

The loss on the building is estimated at \$500 and on contents at \$700, mostly on harnesses and feed as all the live stock was removed. Insurance was placed with the agencies of Davis & Ward and Henry Bull, Jr. The barn was practically new.

The marriage of Mr. DeWitt Clinton Jordan, formerly of this city, to Miss Hannah Mabel McCann of Randolph, Mass., occurred Monday evening. Mr. Addison Miller of this city was best man.

Mr. William H. Higgins has been appointed clerk to the board of appraisers, appointed to appraise the value of all the property at the Torpedo Station.

One of the yacht tenders capsized at the float at the New York Yacht Club house Wednesday afternoon and a liberal quantity of good provisions was emptied into the harbor.

New York Yacht Club.

Interesting Run to Newport.—Columbia Shows Her Strong Qualities—Unusually Large Number of Yachts in the Harbor.

The fleet of the New York Yacht Club arrived in Newport harbor Wednesday afternoon after an interesting run from Gardner's Bay, a distance of forty-three miles. The annual cruise of the club resulted in drawing out a much larger number of yachts than usual so that the harbor has been well filled with the gay craft. The yachts have been prettily decorated in the evening and entertainments on board have been numerous.

On the Wednesday run the Columbia showed what she could do in the way of speed, her showing against the Defender showing much more superiority than ever before. The difference in time between the two boats in the 48 miles run was 22 minutes.

At the start the weather was uncertain and the wind could not be trusted. The Defender got away in good shape but off Fisher's Island lost the wind and the Columbia ran away from her. Many believe that the former would have made a much better race had she not played in hard luck so early in the day.

There was never a moment during the day that there was not wind enough to fill the sails, while the last 15 miles were sailed in a grand breeze from the southwest that gave each boat a great move. The day itself was perfect, for the sky was cloudless and the air was full of life and vigor. A huge fleet of steam yachts watched the sailing craft start and accompanied them over the most of the course, and all Newport saw the finish at Brenton's Reef Lightship, the ship defender of 1893, Vigilant, leading the fleet over the line after a warm contest with the schooner Columbia, of 15 miles or more.

The yachts started at half-past 10 in a fairly strong westerly breeze, all breaking out spinnakers on crossing the line. The first three or four miles were quickly sailed, but half an hour after the start the wind began to slacken and soon some were almost becalmed. All during the soft spell of two hours the Columbia seemed to be especially favored as she carried a breeze right through, and she gained rapidly on Defender.

It was at the time that the boats passed the entrance to Fisher's Island Sound that the Columbia made the great gain, that gave her such a lead. From Watch Hill to Point Judith she fairly flew over the water, with her boom well off to port and her balloon-jibtopsail drawing like a steam engine. All the boats went well on this reach along shore, and, in looking back, every yacht seemed fairly buried in canvas. The home stretch of seven miles from Point Judith to Brenton's Reef Lightship was made dead before the wind in a freshening breeze.

When the flag ship came to anchor in the harbor at about six o'clock all the fleet greeted her with a salute and the air rang with the reverberations of the guns. It was an ideal day for the race and the race was worthy of the day.

The winners in the various classes were as follows: Schooners—Class A, Hildegarde; B, Colonia; C, Ariel; D, Ketchikan; E, Neera. Sloop—Class G, Columbia; H, Hildegarde; J, Petrel; K, Nestor; L, Nantux.

According to orders from the flagship preparations were early made for the run to Vineyard Haven on Thursday, going to New Bedford the next day. The flagship anchored off the Brenton's Reef Lightship and the races started at 10:30. The weather was not favorable early in the morning and by noon a disagreeable rain came up from the south east. The course for the race on Thursday was 37 miles. Many of the yachts did not go to New Bedford but returned to this city. The Columbia and Defender were among the last of the yachts to leave the harbor.

On the run from here to Vineyard Haven some nasty weather was experienced, rain falling in sheets and frequent squalls prevailing. When the yachts crossed the line at the finish it was found that the Defender had beaten the Columbia on time allowance. The latter was actual winner by 1 minute and 14 seconds but 2 minutes time allowance is due the Defender on the 37 mile run. Some of the yachts returned to this harbor yesterday.

At an early hour Thursday morning a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Paul A. Andrews at "Rocky Hall," Bellevue avenue, was awakened by the sound of a man near his room. He could hear the fellow walking about on the piazza roof and finally decided that he was trying to open the shutters. He arose from the bed and started across the room after his revolver but was heard by the burglar who leapt to the ground. There is no clue to his identity.

Mr. John T. Lewis, the popular railroad ticket agent who has been seriously ill at the hospital for several weeks, is able to be out.

A Secret Wedding.

A New York despatch says: The friends and, indeed, the parents of Miss Mary Ellen Sigbee, the only daughter of Captain Charles D. Sigbee, who commanded the battleship Maine when it was blown up in Havana harbor, will be surprised to learn that she was secretly married in New York, November 29, 1893, to Balfour Kerr, a young artist. Many precautions were taken to prevent the identity of Miss Sigbee and Mr. Kerr from becoming known. Distortion of names even, was resorted to. The circumstances attending the marriage were most mysterious.

The Rev. F. J. Belcher, of the June Street Methodist Church, performed the ceremony at the Church parsonage, No. 11 June street. The marriage was witnessed by Elmer H. Frohlich, an artist, and F. J. Belcher, Jr., son of the officiating minister.

Miss Sigbee went to New York from Washington to attend the classes of the Art Student's League in competition for the life class scholarship. She carried off a prize with a sketch in the nude.

At the end of the term of 1893-94 she returned to her home in Washington. Not even her intimate friends suspected that in addition to the prize of the life class scholarship she had also promised to become the wife of Mr. Kerr.

Last October she returned to New York to resume her studies. The following month the marriage ceremony was performed. Late one afternoon, accompanied by Elmer Frohlich, Mr. Kerr and Miss Sigbee went to the home of Mr. Belcher and were married. Frohlich had been married several years before by the same minister.

Miss Sigbee did not answer all the questions propounded to her by the minister in filling out the blank for the Bureau of Vital Statistics. She said her mother's name was Mary Lockwood and that she was twenty-two years old, having been born in New Orleans, La. In the line intended for the name of the father of the bride, the minister has written, "Asked; not given."

City Council.

At a special meeting of the city council on Friday evening last, the committee on streets and highways presented a resolution authorizing the committee to hold public hearings and to present an ordinance covering the subject of sidewalks. The resolution was adopted. A communication from Julia Ann Mackay asking for a revaluation of her property on Brinley street was referred to the tax assessors. The board of aldermen granted four licenses—fruit, junk, intelligence office and exhibition, and the council adjourned.

The board of aldermen immediately reconvened as a board of health and the following communication from Governor Dyer was presented:

Hon. Patrick J. Boyle, Mayor of the City of Newport:

Dear Sir:—In case it should be necessary to take any measures to prevent a possible introduction of yellow fever into the state by means of vessels coming to Rhode Island from infected localities, I shall notify the state board of health that this department is ready to assist the board in every way to carry out the provision of section 13, Chapter 95 of the General Laws.

ELISHA DYER, Governor.

Aldermen Shepley and Barker were appointed a committee to act on the communication.

An exchange says Lord Astor may feel happier now he is safe under Victoria's wing, where his native country cannot do a thing to him: But why make any ado at his becoming a naturalized Britisher? There are numerous foreigners who have done likewise over here, and we have thought none the less of them. Because William Waldorf Astor is a disappointed man, due to his own unhappy disposition, shall we begrudge him the comfort of taking this final step? No, indeed. He has simply joined the contingent of those American heiresses who having wedded English titles, have consequently "naturalized" themselves and their children forever. We ought to be accustomed to that sort of defection by this time.

The Touro congregation has amalgamated with the congregation Jeshuat Israel, of which Mr. Eugene Schuler is the president. All contentions of the past have been harmoniously settled and there is now but one Jewish congregation in this city working under the charter granted to the congregation Jeshuat Israel, who worshipped in the Touro Synagogue up to the time of the death of the late rabbi. The amalgamation dates from July 30.

Polo was scheduled to begin yesterday, the Devon and Point Judith teams playing for the Newport cup. The new grounds at the Country Club are used. The game arranged for Thursday was postponed.

There is considerable talk of a handsome new building being erected for the Newport Reading Room.

Mr. Walter Rees of Providence has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Morley this week.

San Jose Scale.

Professor Field of the State Agricultural College at Kingston, who was expected to address the Newport Horticultural Society at its meeting Wednesday evening, was unable to be present. He was expected to lecture on the San Jose scale and his absence was a considerable disappointment to the members. A committee was appointed to draw up a petition for presentation to the general assembly, praying for the appointment of a entomologist for the state and for him to examine all plants brought to Rhode Island; also to pass a law to compel all persons having trees, shrubs and plants to destroy the scale when found even at the cost of the plant if necessary. The committee consists of James McLeish, Alex. McLellan, John Mason, George Noiman Weaver and Benjamin P. Tanner.

Captain Joseph E. Wood.

According to a despatch received in this city, Captain Joseph E. Wood, commander of steam yacht Conqueror, has died in Naples. Captain Wood has made his home in this city for several years, coming here from Nova Scotia at the request of Mr. Vanderbilt, owner of the Conqueror. He was a quiet, self-contained man, who was true to his friends and who was highly esteemed by all who knew him. He thoroughly understood his duties and was conscientious in their performance.

He leaves two daughters and three sons, one of whom, Mr. Ralph Wood, is in business in this city. Mr. Joseph E. Wood, Jr., is at present making a voyage on a coasting vessel.

The arrangements for the disposition of the body have not yet been determined upon.

The late Achilles Stevens was a member of Malbone Lodge, No. 93, New England Order of Protection, from which society his widow and her surviving daughter will get \$3000. The money is all ready to be paid over, but it is necessary to wait till a guardian is appointed for the child before the money can be legally paid. This lodge now numbers about one hundred members. It has been in existence for eleven years and Mr. Stevens is the first death in the lodge since its organization. Such a healthful record can hardly be surpassed.

Sunday was a big day for excursion travel here. Steamers Massachusetts and Rhode Island brought large crowds from New York and Sound ports, the large steamers of the Providence, Fall River and Newport line handled large numbers and the cars of the island road were well filled all day. As a rule, however, the excursion business is not as large as in previous years. A marked change is noticeable in the absence of excursions on the Consolidated road.

The steamer Warwick of the Providence, Fall River and Newport line, made her first excursion on Sunday, coming to this city and to Narragansett Pier. She left the Pier to return to this city about three minutes ahead of the Mount Hope, but when the latter was tied up to her dock here the Warwick was just coming by Fort Adams.

Dr. Wm. C. Stoddard expects to leave here next week on a six weeks to a two months tour of the picturesque region of Pennsylvania, Niagara Falls, the Great Lakes from Buffalo to Duluth, St. Paul, Minneapolis and many other points of interest in the great West. Here's hoping that he may have a most delightful trip.

Mr. William H. Gordon, while riding his wheel along Spring street was run into and knocked off his wheel by a cab. He was picked up unconscious and taken to Dr. Jacoby's office where eight stitches were taken in his forehead.

One of the liveliest summer resorts along the coast just now is Block Island. The hotels are nearly all full and the proprietors are jubilant. There are constant gaieties, the many young people keeping the place in a whirl of pleasure.

Mrs. Alfred W. Holland died at her home on Bradford avenue Tuesday morning, after a long illness. She was a daughter of Mrs. Charles F. Paddock. The funeral services were held from her late residence yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

The annual coaching parade will be held on Saturday, August 23, the start being made at 4:30. President Benson will head the parade and the course will be around the Ocean Drive. Tea will be served at the Golf Club.

The inmates of the Children's Home were treated to a ride in Stewart's drag Wednesday afternoon, Mr. S. S. Vars playing the whip.

The fireworks exhibition at Freebody Park on Tuesday evening by Fair's Fireworks Company was quite largely attended and the spectators were well pleased.

An Exciting Ride.

The Newport correspondent of the New York Herald gives the following description of a ride in an automobile: Mrs. Stuyvesant Fish took her second automobile lesson today and it is safe to say that should a public announcement of the time and place of her next lesson be made a large crowd would be on hand to witness it.

There may be some portions of the beautiful grounds surrounding her house that were not plowed up by the wild rearing and changing of her automobile, but careful scrutiny has so far failed to locate them, and the appearance of the crosswalks, walls and shruberies would lead one to suppose that some persons had been trying to ride a lucking broncho about the place. But Mrs. Fish takes a complacent and philosophical view of the matter. She realizes that what is needed in the automobile business is experience, and she got a whole lot of it today.

Miss Greta Pomeroy, who shared with Mrs. Fish her experiences, is also satisfied. She stuck to the machine during all its contortions, and defied it to unsettle her in much the same fashion as she has stuck to the back of an ugly, hard-nosed, cross-country hunter.

Mrs. Fish, with Miss Pomeroy by her side, started to take the machine around the grove today. It was her intention to flick easily to the drives and crosswalks, but the auto saw a stone wall and made for it head on. The automobile won and a large section of stone wall fell with a thud.

The motor shook itself free from the debris and all went well for awhile, but soon the automobile proceeded to lay low a clump of choice shrubbery on the lawn.

For the next half hour Mrs. Fish had a more or less exciting time and then came the climax. The carriage fully dashed against the steps of the villa, whereupon there was an awfully sudden stop, a crash and a snap, the side of the auto gave way and the day's lesson necessarily came to an end. Even with the mishaps Mrs. Fish enjoyed her afternoon immensely.

Miss Pomeroy is considerable of a hunter or she would surely not have been able to keep her seat during this up to date strepichase. She was considerably shaken up.

Corner Stone.

The Grand Master of Masons, of the State of Rhode Island, Milton Livesey Esq., of Providence, has accepted the invitation of the building committee of the new city hall, and will lay the corner stone of this structure on Labor day, September 17th, in due and ancient form. There will be a procession on that occasion composed of the various Masonic bodies of Newport, the Grand lodge of Rhode Island and visiting Masons. There will also probably be military and civic societies in line. All the present and ex-officials will be invited and the ceremony of laying the corner stone will form a very interesting occasion. The only officer of the Grand Lodge residing in Newport at the present time is W. A. Allen C. Griffith, the Grand Marshall, who will have charge of the line. There will be an oration, a eulogy, some good music, and other interesting features.

A Traveler.

On July 16, 1893, Mr. R. L. Oman, the Sanitary Inspector of Newport, mailed a letter to a friend of his supposed to be at Fort Selkirk, North West Territory. The friend was not there, but the letter did the best it could to find him. So it followed him up through various places in the British possessions. Getting tired of travelling in the cold regions of the north it started for the States, and brought up at New Bedford June 28 of this year. After a due search in the whaling city, the letter gave up the job and returned to the writer at Newport, reaching here on August 5, after wandering twelve and one half months and travelling nobody knows how many miles.

The taxes of Mr. Stuyvesant Fish have been paid under protest. It will be remembered that an application was made for an injunction restraining the tax collector from selling the property for unpaid taxes, when the court ruled that the petitioner should pay the tax and recover from the city if the tax was illegally assessed. A suit will be entered against the city treasurer and some interesting legal questions will probably be disclosed.

What looked like the beginning of a serious accident occurred in the harbor Wednesday evening. Capt. Michael Connolly was taking out a party in his naphtha launch, when the engine was struck by a projecting boom and the launch burst into the boat. Capt. Connolly was quite badly burned and plunged overboard to extinguish the flames in his clothing. The boat was not seriously injured and the passengers were unhurt.

The Taunton & Brockton electric road has come into the consolidation and is now a part of the great consolidated system of trolley lines, embracing eastern and southern Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

Rev. R. D. Sherwood of Somerville, Mass., the son-in-law of the late Henry T. Easton, has been in town the past week the guest of Mr. Simon Hazard.

Base Ball.

The New England League has been further diminished this week. Starting out with eight clubs the league is now reduced to four, the Brockton and Pawtucket aggregation having this week found it impossible to struggle along further with huge expenses and small receipts. The clubs now remaining are Pawtucket, Manchester, Newport and Taunton.

Games this week have resulted as follows:

Friday at Freebody Park, Newport 1, Manchester 0, pitchers Gannon, McDonough; Saturday at Freebody Park, Manchester 2, Newport 1, pitchers Curran, Foley; Monday at Freebody Park, Newport 11, Pawtucket 4, pitchers Gallagher, McCafferty; Tuesday at Taunton, Newport 13, Taunton 11, pitchers Gannon, Mathewson; Wednesday at Freebody Park, Portland 5, Newport 3, pitchers Miller, Foley; Thursday, rain.

The standing of the clubs corrected to Friday morning is as follows:

	Won	Lost	P. G.
Portland	49	27	.645
Manchester	42	31	.575
Newport	35	35	.500
Taunton	25	50	.333

The Hammond sisters with Brother Smalley, will assist the Salvation Army in their services Saturday night and over Sunday. These sisters are noted for their beautiful singing.

Sunday services at the Salvation Army: Holiness meeting, 11 a. m.; song and praise service, 3 p. m.; children's meeting, 4 p. m.; mission Sunday school, 6 p. m.; gospel meeting, 8 p. m.

Portsmouth.

The long looked for rain came on Thursday and the dry, parched fields will be much benefited thereby.

The farmers are still busy shipping potatoes, although the price is very low.

The Sunday School of the Methodist Episcopal church of Middletown, enjoyed a ride in a special car of the Newport and Fall River street railway company, from Mr. Scott Barker's near the two mile corner, to Island Park, on Wednesday afternoon.

The largest attendance ever known at the camp meeting was on Sunday, 500 were fed at the dining room, and many more who wished could not be cared for. Some 25 new arrivals on Saturday night for want of better accommodations, had to sleep in the tabernacle. The Queen City and the Awashonsk, on their trip to Providence on Monday, were well filled with the departing attendants of the camp meeting.

Mr. G. Mason Chase is going to New Hampshire at once, hoping the change of climate will prove beneficial to him. Mr. Chase being in feeble health.

On Sunday last the Newport and Fall River street railway cars were well patronized.

The funeral of Mrs. Patience, wife of Deacon Benjamin B. White, took place from her late residence on Wednesday afternoon. There was a large attendance of friends and acquaintances. The services were conducted by the pastor, the Rev. Henry McQuinn. The singing was by Mrs. Winifred Sisson and Mrs. Howard Bailey. The bearers were Mrs. Gardiner T. Sherman, Elbert A. Sisson, and George Anthony. Mrs. White was the youngest child of the late John and Ann Rogers, and was a very estimable lady. She leaves a husband and three sons.

Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Peckham, of Fairhaven, have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Edward A. Coggeshall.

Miss Ruth D. Lawton, of Providence, is with her sister, Mrs. John F. Brown.

Iverson.

At the regular meeting of the court of probate and town council held Monday, August 7th, with a full board present, the business transactions were: In court of probate Delos R. Simmons was appointed administrator on the estate of his wife, Harriet L. Simmons.

Lydia A. Macomber was appointed administratrix on the estate of Diana Macomber, bond \$1000; sureties Abraham Manchester, Benjamin F. Manchester; appraisers Alonzo F. Manchester, Albert S. Orswell, Philip B. Macomber.

The will of Thomas J. Harwood was proved and ordered recorded and Bridget Maria Harwood appointed executrix; bond \$500.

Henry B. Borden was appointed administrator on the estate of Abner S. Bennett; bond satisfactory to clerk; appraisers Isaac S. Borden, Benjamin F. Estes, Joshua T. Durfee.

Annual account of Patrick Judge, guardian of Patrick Judge, Jr., was received, allowed and ordered recorded. The probate of the will of Elizabeth Abbott was continued.

Notice was ordered on petition of the R. I. Trust Company, guardian of the estate of Marion E. Potter, to sell real estate of said ward.

Notice was ordered that a citation be issued to Charles S. Gifford, administrator on the estate of Desire Macomber, that he render his account as administrator.

In town council John E. Manchester, committee on Pocomet cemetery, received permission to have more lots surveyed in Pocomet Hill cemetery.

William Cummings and Joseph Soule were appointed police constables to serve when called upon.

On petition of the Newport and Fall River electric railway company the following persons were appointed police constables to protect the property of the company: Herman Rounds, A. Alty, B. F. Goodwin, H. D. Edson, G. Simmons, S. D. Macomber, J. B. Benish, A. J. Cole, J. McLaughlin, F. W. Sweeney and M. S. Faye.

PUBLIC LAWS, PASSED AT THE
JANUARY SESSION, 1899.

[The Chapters of the Public Laws are numbered continuously from the General Laws, Revision of 1902.]

CHAPTER 221.
AN ACT Relative to Political Committees
and Caucuses.
(Passed May 18, 1899.)

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

DEFINITIONS.

Section 1. The term "elective office" shall apply to any office for which candidates are to be elected by ballot, whether the office be of a city, town, ward, or district election.

The term "caucus officers" shall apply to all officers taking part in the conduct of caucuses.

The terms "caucus" and "political convention" shall apply only to such caucuses as shall be called and held in pursuance of this act.

The term "political party" as used in this act, or in Chapter 11 of the General Laws, shall apply only to a political party which at the next preceding annual election polled for governor at least two per cent. of the entire vote cast in the state for that office.

STATE COMMITTEES.

Sec. 2. Every political party shall annually elect a state committee.

Such state committee shall, within ten days after its organization, file with the secretary of state a list of its officers and members.

CITY AND WARD COMMITTEES IN THE CITIES OF PROVIDENCE AND PAWTUCKET.

Sec. 3. The qualified electors of every political party in each ward of the cities of Providence and Pawtucket shall annually elect a ward committee for such ward, and the members of the several ward committees of the same political party shall constitute a political committee of such political party, to be called a city committee.

Each city committee shall, within ten days after its organization, file with the secretary of state a list of its officers and members; and in Providence also with the board of canvassers and registration. The general management of the affairs of each political party in said cities shall be vested in said city committee, subject to the rules and regulations which the state committee of each such political party shall make.

Any vacancy occurring in the office of chairman, secretary, treasurer or other officer of any political committee shall be filled by the action of such committee, and a statement of any change so occurring shall be filed as in the case of the officers first chosen.

CAUCUSES IN PROVIDENCE AND PAWTUCKET.

Sec. 4. The following sections of this act shall apply only to the cities of Providence and Pawtucket.

Sec. 5. All notices for holding caucuses shall apply to all members of the political party whose caucuses are to be held pursuant to said notices, and to them only; and only members of such political party shall participate in the caucuses of said party.

No person having voted in the caucus of one political party shall be entitled to vote or take part in the caucus of any other political party held within ninety days thereafter, nor shall any person having signed nomination papers as a candidate or candidates for any elective office be entitled to vote or take part in any caucus of any political party held for the nomination of candidates or for the election of delegates to a convention to nominate candidates to be voted for at the same election, or in any caucus held within ninety days thereafter for the election of caucus officers or the members of a political committee.

No person who shall have voted in the caucus of any political party for any candidate for an elective office, or for any delegate to a convention to nominate candidates for any elective office, shall be entitled to vote or take part in the caucus of any political party for the nomination of candidates or for the election of delegates to a convention to nominate candidates for any elective office in the same election, or in any caucus held within ninety days thereafter for the election of caucus officers or the members of a political committee.

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At the city, town, ward or district election, as are conferred by law upon wardens and clerks in respect to state elections.

Every such officer shall hold office for the term of one year, beginning with the first day of May succeeding their election, and until his successor is elected.

There shall be a vacancy for any cause, including a removal from the ward or district, shall occur in the office of caucus warden or clerk prior to the time appointed for the meeting of the caucus, it shall be filled by the members of the ward committee of such ward in which such vacancy shall occur.

No person shall be eligible to the office of caucus warden or clerk who is a member of a political party other than the committee, and no person shall serve as a caucus officer at any caucus wherein he is a candidate for delegate to any convention or for any elective office, except that of caucus officer.

The ward committee of each political party in said cities shall, ten days prior to the holding of the first caucuses which shall be held under this act, appoint such caucus officers as are hereinafter provided for in every ward holding such meetings, to serve as such officers at the first caucuses which shall be held after the adoption of this act, and shall also file a list of all such officers with the city clerk in Pawtucket and the board of canvassers and registration in Providence. In case of a redistricting of the wards or voting districts of either of said cities, the city committee of said cities shall appoint such officers to serve at the first caucuses after such redistricting, and at such caucuses the regular caucus officers shall be elected as hereinafter provided.

CONDUCT OF CAUCUSES.

Sec. 10. The caucus warden elected or appointed, as hereinafter provided, shall call the caucus of his political party to order and shall preside thereat. It shall, however, that the caucus warden is absent and no person has been designated by the ward committee of the party to act as such caucus warden, the clerk of the first district in such ward shall call the meeting to order and shall preside until a caucus warden shall be appointed, and in case of the absence of such clerk, the chairman of the ward committee, or in his absence any qualified elector of such party, shall call the meeting to order and preside until a caucus warden pro tempore be appointed. Any necessary preliminary business not finished at 7:30 P. M. shall be postponed until after the polls are closed and the result of the balloting announced.

VOTING TO BE BY BALLOT.

Except for the filling of vacancies in the office of caucus warden and clerk, no ballot shall be required for the choice of all candidates for all elective offices and all delegates to conventions to nominate candidates for national, state or municipal offices, for caucus warden and clerks, or for members of a political committee, to be elected by such caucus, until the polls shall be kept open until 9:30 P. M.

All ballots shall be printed or written on white paper, and no tissue paper shall be used for any caucus ballot.

The names of all the candidates for which any elector shall vote at any caucus shall be written or printed upon one ballot.

CHECK LIST TO BE USED—WHEN CANVASSED.

Sec. 11. In balloting at any caucus held between the last Monday in February and the first Wednesday in April in any year, the voting lists of the several wards and voting districts in said cities as canvassed upon said last Monday in February shall be used.

At all other caucuses the voting lists of the several wards and voting districts in said cities last published according to law, with such subsequent changes thereon as may be certified by the board of canvassers in Pawtucket, or by the clerk thereof, and the board of canvassers and registration in Providence to date not more than five days prior to the earliest meeting of any caucus for the nomination of candidates for any elective office, or of choosing delegates to a convention to nominate candidates for any elective office, shall be used. Provided, however, that all caucuses for the nomination of candidates for the city council of either of said cities shall be held within twenty days of the day of the annual municipal election, and the board of canvassers in Pawtucket and the board of canvassers and registration in Providence shall annually hold a canvass meeting on Tuesday after the first Monday in November to canvass and correct the voting lists of electors qualified and who may be qualified by the payment of a tax to vote for members of the city council. No other person shall be permitted to vote in any caucus held for the nomination of candidates for the city council of said cities or shall be qualified to sign a nomination paper therefor. Notice of such canvass meetings shall be given in the same manner and for the same time as required by law in the case of a final canvass meeting prior to an election. And provided, that in the case of the calling of a caucus to nominate candidates at any special election to fill a vacancy in the city council in either of said cities, said board of canvassers and registration in Providence shall hold a canvass meeting on the day of such election, and the provisions of this section shall be applied to such election.

An exact copy of such voting list, duly certified by the city clerk in Pawtucket or the board of canvassers and registration in Providence, respectively, shall be used at all caucuses held during the same series of caucuses for the same election as above provided, and all the names of persons voting at each such caucus of the same political party shall be checked on such list in the same color as the color of the name of the person whose name has been used in any previous caucus of any other political party of the same series and for the same election, and all voting for caucus officers, candidates for any elective office, delegates to any convention, or members of any political committee shall be by the use of such check list.

The city clerk in Pawtucket and the board of canvassers and registration in Providence are hereby authorized and required to furnish, at the expense of said cities, suitable ballot boxes, blank forms for certificates and other stationery, and to furnish for each polling place at which any caucus is held, and to cause the voting lists aforesaid to be delivered at each such polling place to the caucus warden, or other officer authorized to preside at said caucus, prior to the hour of seven o'clock in the evening of the day on which any caucus is to be held, and to be kept by him until the duty of the chiefs of police of said cities to detail such number of police officers to each such polling place for the preservation of order and to deliver the voting lists aforesaid, as may be required by said city clerk or the board of canvassers and registration in Providence.

For all caucuses held in any ward for the election of caucus officers separate ballot boxes shall be furnished and used in each voting district therein.

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The essence of the ballot shall be him and, the candidate for a city or town, ward and residence by street and number of the person so challenging, and the cause assigned for the challenge, before such ballot is received; but nothing in this section shall be construed as permitting any caucus officer to receive any ballot which is lawfully required to be refused. The person or persons receiving the highest number of votes in a caucus shall be declared and declared to be elected or nominated.

PROCEEDINGS IN CASE OF A TIE VOTE.

In case of a tie vote for delegates to a convention, or in case of a place being unfilled in a delegation, or in case of a vacancy occasioned by inability or neglect of a delegate to attend a convention, such vacancies shall be filled only by vote of the remaining members of the delegation, at a meeting duly called for the purpose. Such meeting shall choose a chairman and secretary, and the secretary shall notify the secretary of the convention of the action of the meeting so far as it relates to a vacancy.

In case of a tie vote for members of a ward committee, or for caucus officers, the members shall divide the vacant offices or vacancies.

In case of a tie vote of a delegation to any convention, or ward committee, or caucus officer, are not elected, or in case of a tie vote for candidates for an elective office, the caucus shall adjourn to such day as shall be designated at said caucus by a caucus warden, but not to any day at which a caucus of any political party has been called.

VOTE, HOW AND WHEN COUNTED.

Immediately on the closing of the polls the caucus warden and clerk shall in open caucus proceed to count the ballots cast, and the candidate or candidates receiving a plurality of the ballots shall be declared by the caucus warden to be elected. The ballots and voting lists shall then be forthwith separately sealed up, together with a statement of the result of the balloting substantially in form required by law, and the certificate of election required by law, shall be forthwith delivered in person by the caucus clerk of the first voting district in each ward to the city clerk in the city of Pawtucket, and to the board of canvassers and registration in the city of Providence.

The city clerk of every caucus shall, within twenty-four hours after said caucus is held, deliver, send, or cause to be sent to each delegate to a political convention and to each member of a political committee a certificate of his election and to each candidate for an elective office a notice of his nomination, and all the names of the candidates of the party required by law in the case of all candidates who are nominated by such caucus for any elective office to be prepared and reasonably filed in the proper public office. Upon the check lists used at such caucus the clerk checking such list shall make a record of the names of the candidates who are nominated by such caucus, and the names checked in the color employed at such caucus, and that no alteration or erasure or additional check has been made thereon, and said city clerk in Pawtucket and board of canvassers and registration in Providence shall make a true copy of said check list in the same color or colors appearing thereon, and shall deliver such copy, duly certified by him or them in like manner as hereinafter specified, to the clerk of the political party for which the caucus was held, and to the clerk of the city of Pawtucket, and to the board of canvassers and registration in Providence, after a check list has been used at a caucus of a political party held under the provisions of this act, and a written application for a copy of the list as checked, signed by any qualified elector in said city, and upon payment or tender of the fees provided by law therefor, may unseal and open the wrapper containing such check list, and shall furnish to such applicant a true copy of the list as checked and shall then reclose the same.

RECOUNT OF VOTES.

If before five o'clock in the afternoon of the day succeeding the day on which the caucus was held, the chairman of this act a person who has received votes therefor for nomination or election to any elective office, delegation, or political committee shall serve upon the city clerk of Pawtucket, or the board of canvassers and registration in Providence, a statement in writing that the records and returns made by the caucus officers, as aforesaid, are erroneous, and specifying wherein the same are erroneous, and claiming an election or nomination by said caucus for the petitioner, and petitioner for a recount of such ballots by the board of canvassers in Pawtucket, or the board of canvassers and registration in Providence, such city clerk and board of canvassers and registration, respectively, shall retain all the ballots cast at such caucus for such nomination or election or for the election of delegates to a political convention until such claim is withdrawn or the contest for the nomination or election is fully determined by the board of canvassers in Pawtucket, or by the board of canvassers and registration in Providence.

The city clerk of Pawtucket shall forthwith notify the members of the board of canvassers of said city of the filing of such petition, and it shall be the duty of said board of canvassers in Pawtucket, and of the board of canvassers and registration in Providence, to cause notice to be given to the city hall and to cause notice in writing to be served upon all other candidates for the same office receiving votes at said caucus, at the expense of the petitioner, of the filing of such petition for a recount, and shall assign a time and place for the recount of said ballots within twenty-four hours from the time of ordering such notice. At the time specified by said board of canvassers said city clerk shall transmit to each board all the ballots cast at such caucus and the voting list used thereat. In the city of Providence like procedure shall be observed by the board of canvassers and registration, at the expense of the petitioner, and at the appointed time and place said board of canvassers and registration in Providence, respectively, shall proceed to recount said ballots and shall hear and determine all questions raised for or against the counting of the same or of any thereof, and such recount shall stand as the true record and result of the vote cast at such caucus, and the proper officer shall cause the names of the persons so declared to be nominated for any elective office to be printed with the certificate of such recount by said board of canvassers in Pawtucket, or the board of canvassers and registration in Providence, respectively, which shall be deemed to be made and filed as of the day of holding such caucus.

Any candidate for such nomination or election may be present during such recount, either in person or by an agent duly appointed in writing.

Sec. 12. Caucuses relative to a special election shall be held at such time and place, and subject to such regulations, no-

less as the board of canvassers or officer of election may determine. All calls for the same shall be issued by the chairman and secretary of the city committee of said cities, and when called they shall be held in the same manner and subject to the same rules as for the caucuses called for electors whose votes are to be counted by law.

PENALTIES.

Sec. 13. Every public officer or officer of election or any person who shall willfully violate any of the provisions of this act, or shall refuse, or willfully neglect and omit to perform in the manner and within the time prescribed any duty imposed upon him by this act, shall be fined not less than fifteen nor more than twenty dollars, or imprisoned in jail for a period not exceeding thirty days, or both.

Every person at a caucus who, knowing that he is not entitled to vote, votes or attempts to vote; or votes or attempts to vote upon any other name than his own, or upon his own name, or deposits or attempts to deposit more than one ballot for any candidate for any elective office or delegate to any convention or caucus officer or member of any political committee on the same balloting; or at any caucus gives a false statement as to any name or the providing officer of any caucus relative to his right to vote at such caucus, shall be punished by imprisonment in jail not exceeding thirty days.

Whoever aids or abets a person not entitled to vote at a caucus in voting or attempting to vote under a name other than the voter's own name, or in voting twice upon the voter's own name, or aids or abets a person in depositing or attempting to deposit at a caucus more than one ballot as aforesaid on the same balloting, shall be punished by imprisonment in jail not exceeding thirty days.

Whoever willfully alters or willfully makes any change, erasure, or additional check in the names checked upon the check list used or to be used at a caucus, or, having custody or control of such check list, shall suffer or permit any alteration, change, erasure, or additional check to be made in the names checked upon such check list, shall be punished by imprisonment in jail not exceeding sixty days.

Except as otherwise herein provided, the penalties imposed by law upon election and other officers and voters who violate the provisions of acts regulating state elections are hereby imposed upon the same and like caucuses and other officers and voters for the same and like violations of this act.

ENFORCEMENT.

Sec. 14. It shall be the duty of every police or other peace officer or constable to arrest without warrant any person convicted in the act of violating the provisions of this act.

Sec. 15. All state, city, and ward committees which are in existence at the date of the passage of this act shall be subject to the provisions of this act and shall hold office until the first day of May, A. D. 1900, and until their successors shall have organized. Provided, that such state, city and ward committees as shall have been elected but not organized at the time of the passage of this act shall hold office from the date of their organization until said first day of May, A. D. 1900, and until their successors shall have organized.

Sec. 16. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect upon its passage.

I certify the foregoing to be true copies. Attest: CHARLES P. BENNETT, Secretary of State.

"Say," says the gentleman with the check shirt, plain suit and thunderous diamonds, "if you will go in with me, I've got a guy that we can work for a couple of thousand in a poker game, and you can have half."

"Sir!" replied the young lawyer, "this is a personal affair."

"Excuse me," continued the wily tempter. "Of course, I didn't mean this here as a personal affair. We will call it retaining you professionally."

"Er—how much did you say he had?"

"—Indianapolis Journal.

A Definite Inquiry. Newlywed (complacently)—Oh, of course, all women have sharp tongues—"every rose has its thorn," you know.

Oldtimer (dryly)—And have you noticed yet how a rose will fade but a thorn won't?—Puck.

At the Telephone. Casey—Who does yer want ter see? Hogan—Dunnohuc.

Casey—Who did yiz say? Hogan—Dunnohuc. Donnohuc.

Casey—Well, if you dunno who, how the devil do I know who?—Scribner's Magazine.

A Good Suggestion.

The Barber—I'm thinking of hanging up a motto here. How would "We Sive to Please" go?

The Victim—"Silence is Golden" would be better.

When Baby Wakes. When baby wakes! This useless to proclaim. Each member of our household takes The hint and does the same.

THE WEEK'S NEWS.

SUNDAY, AUG. 6.

Resumption of issue of gold certificates ordered by Secretary Gage—Warship likely to be sent to Port au Prince to protect American interests—Wonderful progress of the work on the new temple being erected by Evangelist Sandford at Durham, Me.—Adventists at Springfield believe the Lord is coming this year—Harry Elkes wins 25-mile motor paced bicycle race at Woodside park, Philadelphia—Whitman defeats Ware in the Long Island championship tennis tournament—Sloop Defender easily beats Vigilant and Navaho off Newport—The Transvaal agrees to holding a joint inquiry—Success of wireless telegraphy in England naval maneuvers—Improvements to be made in the Kennelbe river—Jockey Sloan and Boxer Palmer arrive in New York from England—Cleveland's boycott broken—Admiral Dewey arrives at Naples—No basis for report of an alliance of South American nations against the United States—Richard Croker complains of being hounded by the newspapers—Claimant for Goetz millions appears from Colorado—Mrs. Ida Flagler, wife of the Standard Oil magnate, judicially declared insane—Tobacco company organized to fight the trust.

MONDAY, AUG. 7.

Trolley car falls 65 feet from a trestle into a pond at Stratford, Conn.; about 30 people killed—Steamer gang plank gave way at Mt. Desert ferry, Me., and 20 excursionists drowned—Yacht Indians prepared for a long war—Miss Jewett and the Baker family reach New York in safety—A British flag hauled down by Irish-Americans at Boston on a steamer they had hired—Coney Island policeman held on charge of attempting to rob a man—Five persons injured at a tenement house fire in New York—Strike of 2000 cloakmakers in New York—Transvaal growing more reasonable and listens to Chamberlain's proposals—Dinner to Admiral Dewey by secretary of United States embassy in Italy—Woman in Greentown, O., murders her daughter and commits suicide—Man brutally murders a 13-year-old girl in Washington—First few days of August show increased receipts at treasury department—Emperor William reported to have consented to loan skipper of the Meteor to assist in sailing Shamrock—Explosion of dynamite at Presque Isle, Me.—Motorman killed in a trolley car collision near Narragansett Pier—Trouble in the Hebrewite Baptist church at Attleboro—Boston public library in great need of more money—Parents of Dennis Lehan of Lynn, Mass., identify dead man as their son, but he turns up alive.

TUESDAY, AUG. 8.

Motorman of ill-fated trolley car arrested at Stratford, Conn., charged with manslaughter—Treasure ship from the Klondike brings over \$2,000,000—Fourteen persons injured by collision of trolley cars in Brooklyn—Russian interpreter in New York arrested for embezzlement in Russia—Retail butchers meet in New York and discuss protection against wholesalers—Mayor William W. Whiting of Pittsfield dies suddenly of apoplexy—Cornerstone laid for monument to General Grant at Peru, Vt.—Fred Butler of Haverhill, wanted in that city for manslaughter, gives himself up to the police—Lighthouse at Balabac captured from Filipinos by Lieutenant Commander Nazro—General Jimenez will not go to Santo Domingo at present—Sweeney defeats Goldstein in a glove fight at the Coney Island Sporting club—Cutter Shamrock sighted in tow of the steam yacht Erin—Gold certificates not in great demand in Washington—Five negroes and a white man wounded during a South Carolina melee—Official announcement made that N. C. riders will be barred from Montreal races—Maiden postoffice will be consolidated with Boston Sep. 1—Stockholders of the Central Massachusetts railroad begin proceeding to break the lease of that road to the Boston and Maine—Judge Hutchinson, in his report in the Gerry homicide case at Dedham, Mass., finds that the woman came to her death by violence, while in his opinion was inflamed by her sons—West Virginia continues to demand advance in wages—Mexico to be represented at national exposition—Senator Platt re-nominates Counselor Moss of the Mazet committee—Threatened race war in Paraguay, Ark.; negroes driven from town—No more bodies found at Mt. Desert ship; number of lives lost, 23—Secretary Root said to be pleased with condition of war department—President said to be preparing a plan to end the war in the Philippines; will force natives to ask for terms, and these terms will be liberal—Chapel to commemorate peace conference to be erected by American delegates at The Hague.

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 9.

MacArthur, with 4000 men, defeats an army of 6000 insurgents—Columbia defeats Defender by 4m. 18 in a 10-mile spin—South in Democrats think sentiment against Bryan is growing—General Miles celebrates his 60th birthday anniversary—Secretary Root says the war will be prosecuted with vigor—Syndicate to control the street railways, electric lighting and gas systems of St. Louis—Charles Bennett shoots and kills Ida Miller at Conway Corner, N. H., and then takes his own life—Bears think Chamberlain is trying to force on a war—Report that China and Japan have concluded an alliance—Aguinaldo appeals to the powers to recognize his government—President McKinley decides to stay two weeks longer at Plattsburg—First case of yellow fever among United States troops at Havana reported—Aguinaldo will not deliver Spanish prisoners without the pope's intervention—Dr. Archibald of New Orleans says yellow fever serum has proved an utter failure in that city—American gunboat fires on a Luzon town without warning; one child killed; authorities express regret—New York and other bankers will now be supplied with gold certificates in exchange on demand.

THURSDAY, AUG. 10.

Columbia beats Defender by about two miles—Seven-year-old James Morrison drowned at Boston while trying to save a younger brother, who was also drowned—Great damage done by West Indian hurricane—General MacArthur pursues the fleeing rebels—Four firemen killed at a fire in Omaha—Shoe manufacturers form a national organization—Troops E, C and F, Third cavalry, start for Manila—A negro lynched in Florida—New York cloakmakers win their fight—Reception at Bar Harbor to Admiral Sampson and his officers—Massachusetts savings bank returns show a remarkable increase—Everett, Mass., active in enforcing the rules of the board of health regarding smallpox—Summerskill, an English rider, wins the mile amateur international cycle Championship at Montreal—City auditor's report shows an unprecedented



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The soap, when used, offends his trade,
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Both purchaser and seller lose;
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And brings best profits in the end.

A WORD OF WARNING.—There are many white soaps, each represented to be "just as good as the Ivory," they are not, but like all counterfeits, lack the peculiar and remarkable qualities of the genuine. Ask for "Ivory" Soap and insist upon getting it.

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MACARTHUR'S VICTORY OVER INSURGENTS.

Latter Followed Usual Tactics by Retreating When Trenches Became Too Warm.

Manila, Aug. 11.—Details of the movement forward of General MacArthur's troops show that the Americans advanced five miles in the first five hours, and at 2 o'clock had advanced six miles along the railway, stretching on each side of it for two miles, and resting at night three miles from Angeles, which will be made a northern base of operations. Instead of San Fernando, where a garrison of 600 men has been left.

The Filipinos were surprised, expecting the American forces to move against Tico. They followed their usual tactics of holding their trenches until they became too warm, and then retreated in disorder. They are now falling back westward toward Porco.

The Twelfth and Seventeenth regiments had the sharpest engagement. The country our troops passed over is covered with rice fields and bamboo thickets, the hardest possible ground for marching. The mud in places is knee deep.

Angeles is one of the richest towns north of Manila, and is considered to be a better base of operations than San Fernando. The forces at San Fernando consisted of the Iowa regiment, the Seventeenth regiment, the Ninth regiment, the Twelfth regiment, Bell's new Thirty-sixth regiment, a battalion of the Sixteenth regiment, troop E of the Fourth cavalry, and 15 guns.

The movement was planned some time ago, but was delayed by rains. Finally two days of sunshine dried the rice fields sufficiently to warrant the attempt.

The position of the Americans had long been unpleasant. The rebels almost surrounded the town, and fired almost nightly into it. The Americans not replying except on extreme provocation. It was necessary to keep 500 or 600 men on outpost duty constantly.

The American loss in the fighting about San Fernando is between 30 and 40. The loss may possibly exceed these figures, as the line is five miles long, and it is impossible to hear from every point. Our troops are now about Angeles waiting for the artillery, which has the greatest difficulty in moving owing to the wet ground.

Death of Ex-Governor Atkinson.

Newman, Ga., Aug. 11.—Ex-Governor W. T. Atkinson died at his home here yesterday. His physicians gave up hope for his recovery several days ago. Governor Atkinson was one of the leaders of the Democratic party in the state.

He located at Newman after being admitted to the bar. In 1856, 1859 and 1862 he was elected to the legislature, and was speaker the last term. He has also been chairman of the Democratic state committee. His phenomenal race for the gubernatorial nomination gave him a national reputation. From Maine to California the active, but friendly, contest of the "Georgia wagon boy" with his opponent, General Evans, was watched with four months campaigning, and it has been said that he visited every city and town in the state.

North Conway, N. H., Aug. 11.—A murder, followed by suicide, due to jealousy and liquor, took place in the public highway at Quinn's sliding on the Boston and Maine railroad at Conway Corner Tuesday. The principals in the affair were Charles Bennett of Windham, Me., and Ida Miller of Standish, Me. After Bennett had succeeded in causing the death of Ida Miller by shooting, he turned the weapon on himself and took his own life rather than face the law and receive the consequences of committing a deliberate murder.

He, Benning, darling, You are the lamp that alone can light my existence. She, Yes, dear, but papa doesn't think you are a good match for me.

EDMONTON TRAIL

One of Disaster and Death to Fortune Seekers.

Survivors Who Have Perished Tell Stories of Awful Suffering.

Many Have Succumbed to Ravages of Scoury and Scurvy.

Wrangell, Alaska, Aug. 6, via Seattle, Wash., Aug. 11.—The Edmonton trail, which has been the scene of the most terrible suffering and death of fortune seekers, is now a trail of blood and tears. All the men who have perished on the trail are now in the hands of the various trading companies last spring.

The unfortunates tell heartrending stories of hardships endured and comrades lost and abandoned, and strongly denounce the trading and transportation companies, as well as the Canadian officials and newspapers that so profusely advertised this route as a feasible one to the Klondike gold fields.

To outward appearances these men certainly give evidence of the awful suffering undergone since leaving Edmonton 15 months ago. Most of them are sickly looking, with unkempt beards and graying hair, and several have grown gray and bear marks of scurvy. A few have just enough money to reach Seattle or Victoria, but the majority are without funds. The citizens of Wrangell have applied to the United States government at Washington, but up to this date no aid has been received.

There are about 25 destitute miners here. Many had narrow escapes from starvation along the trail from Fort Simpson to Mud River and Fort Laird. It is admitted that there are still more than 100 men scattered along the trail between Laird post and the Pelly Banks, and relief parties have been sent out by the Hudson Bay company. The last reports brought to Laird Post were that many were dying of scurvy and hunger.

It is estimated that there are 20 or 40 sufferers at Telegraph Creek awaiting the next trip of the boat. The sick men had to be carried on stretchers and had not left Glenora when the Stratcona left.

Several starvation cases are reported. About 20 miles above Devil's Portage two unknown men were found frozen to death last winter. A man named Johnson from New York was found dead in a tent near the source of the Mud river last fall. He had as covering only half of a blanket, and in a diary still open in his hand were these words opposite the date Feb. 15, 1899: "I died of hunger."

Along the route from Fort Simpson to the McKenzie river to Fort Laird men with frozen limbs were assisted, while some too weak to help themselves were necessarily left behind by these more fortunate and able to struggle along. Scurvy raged in all the camps more or less, but there are few deaths from this disease reported.

A number of Canadians who attempted to cross outland trail from Fort Simpson to Port Francis last fall have never been heard from, and it is likely that they perished from cold.

Provisions were scarce and high at all the military posts last winter and at several, including Laird Post and Port Francis, even the postmen were put on rations during the months of April and May of this year. Flour sold at \$35 a sack, bacon at 50 cents a pound and beans at 25 cents a quart. This made up the daily menu for several weeks.

Many owe their lives to the relief party under Scott Simpson, sent out by the Cosca Trading company. He reached Laird Post March 23. This daring party left Laketon in March and made a most perilous trip across Dege lake with dogs. As the ice broke up one of the rescuing party was drowned and nearly all the dogs and sleds were lost.

The majority of the returning gold seekers took the McKenzie water route from Edmonton. Coarse gold was found in several small streams and gold colors were often seen, though not in sufficient quantity to work.

Evangelist Bassett Becomes Insane.

Providence, Aug. 11.—Joel Bassett, one of the best known evangelists in this city and superintendent of Bethany mission, has broken down mentally under the strain of carrying on his work under adverse circumstances. For 10 years past he has been engaged in mission work among the sailors and longshoremen. By occupation he was a druggist. He contracted the liquor habit and sank by degrees to a low level. Conversion led him to go into evangelistic work in the line which had been his failing. Tuesday night there was a meeting at the mission. At its close his friends saw that he was suffering from delusions. He thought he had seen John the Baptist. His actions led his wife to take steps to have him cared for, with the result that he was placed in an asylum.

Go Ham a Thieves' Nest.

New York, Aug. 11.—More than 100 patrolmen in uniform filed the seats reserved for witnesses at yesterday's session of the Mazet investigating committee. Mr. Moss said that the only book furnished him by Captain McCuskey's detective bureau showing robberies was a record of property recovered. It showed that property from all over the United States was brought to New York and disposed of in pawnshops and other places. John R. Wood, one of the committee's detectives, testified concerning the opium joints in New York city. He also detailed many interesting facts concerning the existence of poolrooms in the city. The manner in which the police commissioners deal with offending poolroom men was the feature during the latter half of the day.

Dewey's Wish Finally Realized.

Washington, Aug. 11.—The announcement is made at the navy department that an examination of the files there failed to discover the letter written by Admiral Dewey to the committee in 1878, asking to be assigned to the capture of the city of Manila in case war with Spain resulted from the Virginius troubles. It is highly probable that Commander Dewey's letter was not a strictly official communication, but that such a missive was sent to Washington at the time mentioned is a matter of knowledge on the part of those who were on duty on the Narragansett.

Little Brothers Drowned.

Boston, Aug. 11.—James, Frank and Ray Morrison, aged 7, 6 and 5 years respectively, sons of John Morrison, were playing on the bank of the Charles river at Brighton Wednesday, when they were swept into the water. James, the eldest, jumped in to rescue Ray, and both were drowned.

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At the Court of Probate of the City of
Newport, in Rhode Island, holden
on Monday, the 24th day of July,
A. D. 1899, at 10 o'clock a. m.ON THE PETITION, in writing, of Cynthia
A. S. Gladding, presented this day, praying
for the letters of administration on the estate ofMARY JANE STACY,
late of said Newport, deceased, intestate, may
be granted to William O. Gladding, 2d, or some
other suitable person:It is ordered, that the consideration of said
petition be referred to the Court of Probate,
to be held at the Town Hall in said Middletown,
on Monday, the twenty-first day of August
next, A. D. 1899, at one o'clock p. m., and that
notice thereof be given to all persons
interested by advertisement in the Newport
Mercury once a week at least, for fourteen
days, to-wit: HUNCAN A. HAZARD,
Probate Clerk.Court of Probate, Middletown, R. I.,
July 25, A. D. 1899.MARY R. CASE and others, present to this
Court their petition, in writing, praying
for an instrument in writing, whereby
presented, purporting to be the last will and
testament ofMARY E. WEAVER,
late of said Middletown, deceased, may be
proved, approved, allowed and recorded, and
that letters of administration, with the will
annexed, be granted to the estate of said deceased
decedent to George P. Lawton, or some other
suitable person.It is ordered, that the consideration of said
petition be referred to the Court of Probate,
to be held at the Town Hall in said Middletown,
on Monday, the twenty-first day of August
next, A. D. 1899, at one o'clock p. m., and that
notice thereof be published for fourteen days,
once a week at least, in the Newport Mercury.
ALBERT L. CHASE,
Probate Clerk.Court of Probate, Middletown, R. I.,
July 25, A. D. 1899.THE COMMISSIONERS heretofore appointed
by the Court to examine and test the
proof of the claims of the several creditors
against the estate ofJAMES F. TADDER,
late of said Middletown, deceased, represent
insolvent, present to this Court their report
thereon.It is ordered, that the consideration of said
report be referred to the Court of Probate,
to be held at the Town Hall in said Middletown,
on Monday, the twenty-first day of August
next, A. D. 1899, at one o'clock p. m., and that
notice thereof be published for fourteen days,
once a week at least, in the Newport Mercury.
ALBERT L. CHASE,
Probate Clerk.Court of Probate, Middletown, R. I.,
July 17, A. D. 1899.MARY WARD GREENE presents to this
Court her petition, in writing, praying
that an instrument in writing, whereby
presented, bearing date September 11, 1888, purporting
to be the last will and testament of her uncle,NATHANIEL GREENE,
late of said Middletown, deceased, may be
proved, approved, allowed and recorded, and
that letters testamentary on the estate of said
deceased may be granted to her, said petitioner, as the sole executrix of saidIt is ordered, that the consideration of said
petition be referred to the Court of Probate,
to be held at the Town Hall in said Middletown,
on Monday, the twenty-first day of August
next, A. D. 1899, at one o'clock p. m., and that
notice thereof be published for fourteen days,
once a week at least, in the Newport Mercury.
ALBERT L. CHASE,
Probate Clerk.Court of Probate, Middletown, R. I.,
July 25, A. D. 1899.THE UNDERSIGNED has been appointed
by the Court of Probate of Middletown, R. I.,
Administrator on the estate of said deceased,
and having been qualified according to law, and
being qualified to act as such Administrator,
he hereby gives notice to all persons having claims
against the estate of said deceased, to present them
to him, in the office of the Clerk of said Court,
within six months from the date hereof, and that
those indebted to said estate will make payment
to the undersigned.ISAAC LINCOLN SHERMAN,
Administrator.

Middletown, R. I., July 22, 1899.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

TUESDAY'S EDITION having been appointed
by the Honorable Court of Probate of Newport, R. I., Executor of the last will and testament of RICHARD R. WRIGHT, late of said Newport, deceased, and having been qualified according to law, requests all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to present them to him, or to the same in the office of the Clerk of said Court, within six months from the date hereof, and those indebted to make payment to the undersigned.

REBECCA WRIGHT, Executrix.

Newport, R. I., July 21, 1899.

Notice to Tax-Payers.

Court of Probate, Middletown, R. I.,
July 17, A. D. 1899.
HARRIET F. BROWNELL, widow, presents to this Court her petition, in writing, praying that herself or some other suitable person, be appointed Administratrix on the estate of her minor son,

HARRIET MORRIS BROWNELL,
late of said Middletown, who deceased intestate.
It is ordered, that the consideration of said
petition be referred to the Court of Probate,
to be held at the Town Hall in said Middletown,
on Monday, the twenty-first day of August
next, A. D. 1899, at one o'clock p. m., and that
notice thereof be published for fourteen days,
once a week at least, in the Newport Mercury.
ALBERT L. CHASE,
Probate Clerk.

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ALBERT L. CHASE,
Probate Clerk.

Notice to Tax-Payers.

OFFICE OF COLLECTOR OF TAXES,
KINSLEY BUILDING, 20 THAMES ST.,
NEWPORT, R. I., June 30, 1899.
THE TAX BILL for 1898 is now in my hands
for collection, and must be paid from and
including

JULY 1, 1899, to and

including AUGUST 31, 1899.

The time allowed by the Ordinance of the
City Council for the payment of this tax expires
on the 31st day of August, 1899, and in
accordance to said Ordinance (as authorized by
the Laws of this State) all taxes not paid on
or before that date shall carry, until collected,
a PENALTY at the rate of 12 per centum per
annum.

Tax payers are therefore earnestly requested to
pay the amount assessed upon their several
estates.

Checks accepted.
Office hours from 9 a. m. to 1 p. m.

W. M. SLOCUM, Treasurer.

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Notice to Water Takers.

On account of the drought the use of water
has greatly increased. For the month of June
the consumption and waste was 29 per cent.
more than any previous June. The utmost
economy in the use of water is imperative,
that the supply may hold out until the fall
rains.

All lawn sprinklers must be stopped and
all unnecessary use of water, or the supply
will be cut off without further notice.

NEWPORT WATER WORKS,

W. M. SLOCUM, Treasurer.

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Fine H. H. 3 year old, full quart, sells every

where for \$1.25, my price \$1.00 per bottle.

Lucky Myrtle full quart, 10 year old, always

sold for \$1.50, my price \$1.25.

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TELEPHONE.

Mugging. Do you believe a woman can stand more pain than a man? Ruggins. Certainly. You ought to see the shoes my wife wears.

Said the head of the G'mlet Trust: It is my aim in life that every man shall have employment, provided he is working for me and not for himself.

A LIGHT FARM GATE.

It Combines Strength, Convenience and Is Easy to Build.

I have had considerable trouble with my farm gates until I struck upon an idea of building them according to the accompanying illustration, and as I do not intend to patent the gate, your readers have full privilege to build it. I think it is the best farm gate I have ever seen. There is no warping or sagging of top pieces, it is extremely light, the wind has but little influence on it, and it can be raised over obstructions such as snow, etc.

It is composed of two pieces of 1 by 4 inches, as long as gate is wanted, and enough additional length to extend beyond the post which bears the latch, two blocks in center to act as spreaders, two by 4 in. braces with gains $\frac{1}{2}$ in deep cut in each side with-

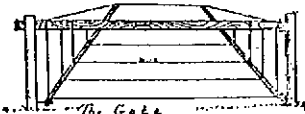


Fig. 1. The Gate. Fig. 2. Top View. Fig. 3. Side View. Fig. 4. Detail of Latch.

DETAILED PLAN OF GATE.
In one foot of top for top pieces to fit in, and bolted at an angle of about 45 degrees. The above pieces with a 1 by 3 in. slot woven in the wires are all the wood used in construction of gate. There is a wire glider extending over top of braces and wrapped around the ends of the 1 by 4's. The wire used is either smooth or barbed and is stapled on alternate sides of gate.

The top and bottom gate hinges are double so as to enclose the wood and bolted through. The top post hinge is made as shown in the illustration. The bottom post hinge is similar. The bottom gate hinge has a long slot in one end of slide post and over obstructions. These lower hinges should be put on carefully, letting post hinge extend out toward gate far enough to keep latch end of gate up in place. The latch post has slot cut in top for end of gate to rest in. There is also a forked iron bolted on bottom to hold lower part of gate in position, placed just high enough to allow bottom of brace to clear when gate is raised over post; this gate swings both ways.

Personal Knowledge of Farm Work.

Common sense teaches us farmers that we must devote our time exclusively to our work on the farm or we will suffer loss. For instance, one farmer told me the other day that he had some extra work to look after last summer and that he was foolish enough to hire an extra man to do his farm work while he galloped down the road looking after some one else's work. Every true farmer has some particular method which no hired man cares to follow except while in sight of the "boss," and it sometimes happens that all the interests of the farm do not get the attention they would if the owner was doing the work himself, as was the case of the farmer alluded to at the beginning of this article. This farmer said he tried his best to teach the man that was doing his work how to cultivate corn, but it was practically out of the question. He simply went over the field as a machine would, regardless of the requirements of the soil. As a result serious shrinkage in yield was experienced.

A machine man on the farm is worse than an unruly animal, for they (the animals) can be tied down, with the assurance that they will come to time, but with the other fellow nothing can be done. Corn, like all other crops in one respect, has to be well cared for from the very beginning to get best results. Farm places in the field may need deep cultivation, while others may require shallow, and if a man is so absorbed in something else that he does not notice this difference in these places he is not on the road to successful farming.

American French Peas.
Only a few years ago practically all the canned peas consumed in this country were imported from France, the famous petit pois. At that time it was deemed impossible to produce the required quality in this country, consumers desiring firm, even bright green goods, and though sulphate of copper was used in securing that color it made comparatively little difference with the trade. American packers, however, experimented with the object of producing a pea the equal of the French article, and how well they succeeded is now an old story.

Starting with good seed, and under careful cultivation, the American pea now equals the imported product of France, and our packers have built up an industry which has become an important feature of the great canned goods trade of the country. The careful selection of seed has resulted in a variety having all the desirable qualities of the French product and requiring the addition of no coloring substances to make them attractive. American canned peas stand on their merits. Wisconsin and New York are the leading pea-packing States, although others are rapidly developing the industry.

Swine live long.
When several sows are kept, so far as it can be done, it will be best to breed them as nearly at the same time as possible, as in this way a more even and valuable lot of pigs can be secured.

It is best to give the sows the run of a small pasture. The exercise they will take will help in maintaining good health.

It is of no advantage to keep the brood sows fat. In fact, a fat condition is more detrimental than otherwise. Good thrift is in every way much better.

Downy Mildew.
These are parasite fungi, which live upon the internal substance of the plant, particularly the leaves. These mildews affect the grape, cabbage, onion and potatoes. They can be held in check by the use of Bordeaux mixture.

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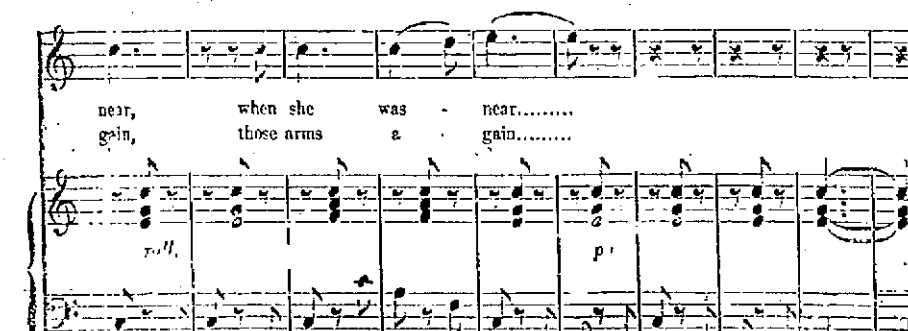
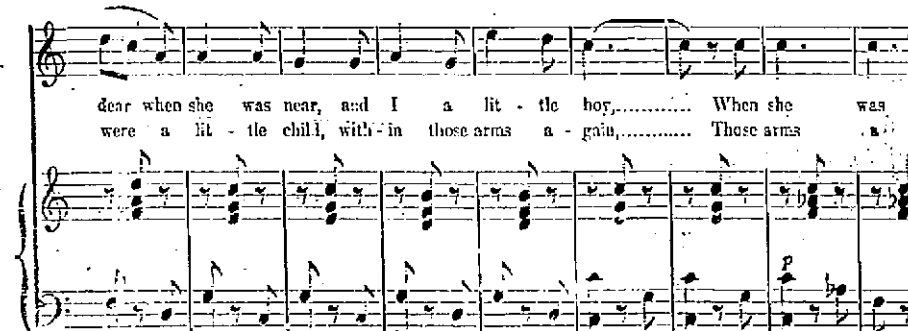
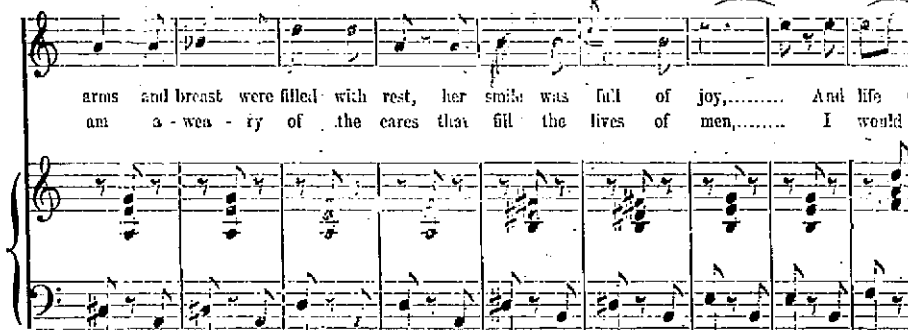
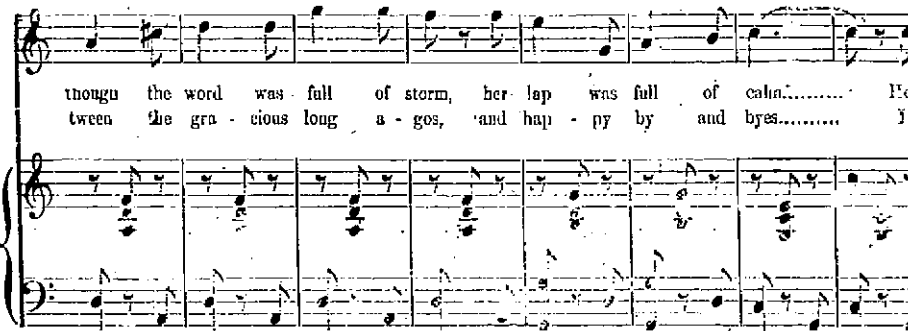
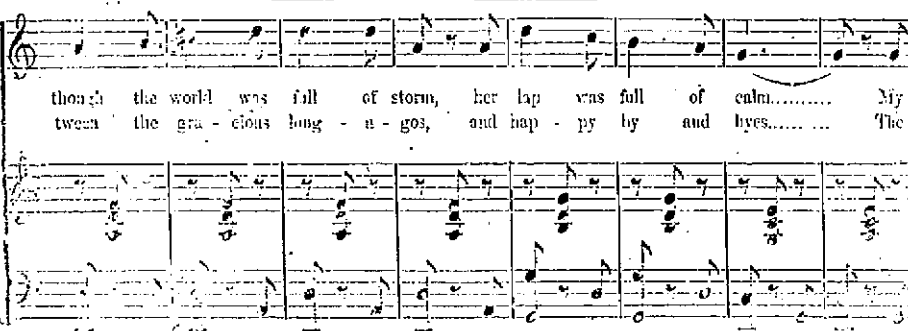
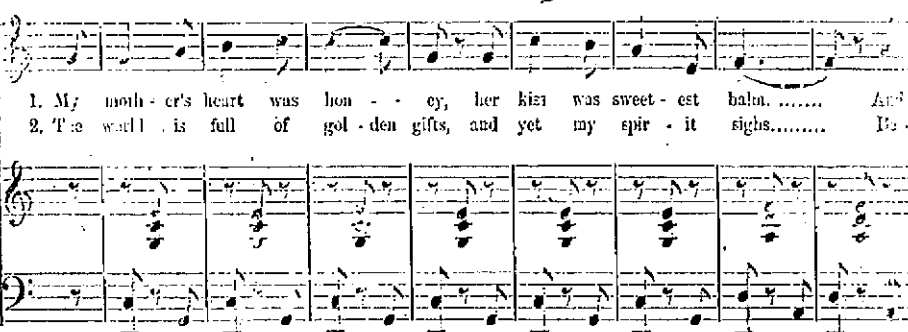
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WHEN SHE WAS NEAR.

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Miss ROSALIND LEWIS.



He—My darling, will you be mine? Will you round out my lonely life? My mother died when I was two years old and I—
She—Oh, George, dear, you have made me so happy! Then you don't remember the coffee your mother used to make?

A country school teacher in New Jersey recently introduced the study of physiology. A few days later she received the following note:
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